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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Re: New U.S. Patent Application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) - Florian Fischer

TIRE BUILDING MACHINE

Sir:

- 1. Please find enclosed herewith for filing: 9 pages specification, 2 pages (8) claims, 1 page abstract, and 2 pages (3 figures), drawings in support of the above identified application.
- 2. It is respectfully requested that this application be granted the priority date of February 2, 2001, the filing date of the corresponding German patent application 101 04 774.6. A certified copy of said priority document will be filed later.
- 3. The Applicant qualifies for small entity status.
- 4. Appropriate fees will be submitted with a later submittal.

Respectfully,

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